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Attorney Docket No. 06530.0095-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Thomas O. BALES et al.)
Serial No.: 08/928,453) Group Art Unit: 3309
Filed: September 12, 1997) Examiner: Unassigned
For: RADIAL JAW BIOPSY)
FORCEPS)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of this application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

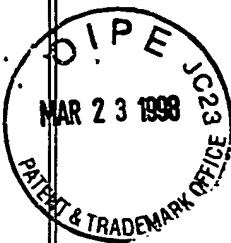
Please cancel claims 1 - 21 in their entireties.

Please add claims 22 - 63 as follows:

22. A biopsy forceps device having a proximal end and a distal end, the device comprising:

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a response prior to the examination of this application. The item(s) checked below are appropriate: 3731

[] Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$ 400.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid		Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	42	21	-	21	X 22	\$ 462.00
Independent	2	3	-	0	X 82	\$ 0.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					X270	\$ 0.00
					Subtotal	\$ 0.00
Reduction in 1/2 if small entity						-
					Total	\$ 462.00

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[X] A fee of \$462.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this response is enclosed.

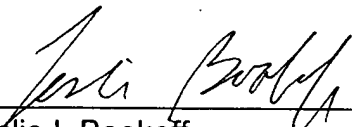
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[] A check for \$462.00 to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

To the extent any further extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this response, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Date: March 23, 1998

By: _____


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